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The Leading Grocers

TERSE TALES OF THE TOWN

Will Open Today.

The Astoria skating rink will be opened today. New skates just arrived; floor in splendid condition. Come and enjoy yourself.

License to Wed—

County Clerk Clinton yesterday issued a marriage license in favor of Mr. James D. McGlynn and Miss Leona C. Berger, both of this city and county.

It Is Up To You—

When a good thing comes your way it is your loss if you let it go by. Charles Heilborn & Company are making some interesting offers in this issue, and they are yours to make good on.

Now at City Hall—

City Attorney Charles Abercrombie has removed from his old quarters at 594 Commercial street, and will, henceforth be found at his office on the second floor of the City Hall. 11-30-tf.

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Aspires to Citizenship—

A. Hermann Franzell, a native of Finland, yesterday took out his initial papers in American citizenship and is correspondingly happy; and will perfect the admirable condition in due course of time.

On a Sad Errand—

Mrs. J. B. Benoit received word from Portland yesterday afternoon, of the death of her little nephew, Patrick Benoit, aged 5 years, the child of her husband's brother. Mrs. Benoit left up on the evening express to join the family in its bereavement.

Bucket Brigade—

The timely assistance of neighbors who formed a bucket brigade and kept the fire under control is all that saved the barn of Josiah West of Clatsop Plains, from being destroyed by fire and the contents consumed. The slaughter house near the barn caught fire but neighbors quickly had the blaze under control.

City Paying Money—

City Treasurer Dealey has paid out during the months of October and November \$15,104.42 in redeeming bond interest coupons, warrants and interest on them. He has on hand about \$3000 with which to pay warrants which have not been presented for payment.

Elect Officers—

At the regular meeting of Beaver Lodge No. 33, I. O. O. F., on Thursday evening the following officers were elected: Alex Tagg, N. G.; A. Y. Anderson, V. G.; Olaf Anderson, secretary; John Hahn, financial secretary; J. L. Klise, treasurer. The officers will be installed at the first meeting of the lodge in January.

Died of Consumption—

Jacob J. Jackson, a widower, of Upper Astoria, died at his home yesterday, of consumption. He was 49 years of age, a widower, and the father of five children, three girls and two boys, whose ages range from 4 to 16 years. His remains were taken to the undertaking parlors of Coroner Pohl and will be prepared for burial, the funeral taking place from there tomorrow. He was a member of the Scandinavian Benevolent Society of this city, and has one brother living in San Francisco, with whom telegraphic communication is being sought.

Notice to the Public:

On and after Dec. 1st, 1907, all charge accounts will be discontinued and purchases made at this store will be strictly on a CASH basis

H. R. Hoefler

Looking Things Over—

Architect E. M. Lazarus, of Portland, who designed the Clatsop county court house, came down from the metropolis on the noon train yesterday, en route to Seaside, and stopped off long enough to closely scrutinize the work that has been done on that structure, and he very frankly pronounced every bit of it to be exceptionally well done, and declares there is not a better built building of the kind in all Oregon. He does not like the white marble pilasters at the main entrance, and said that in the original plans of the house they had been quoted as of Tennessee red marble, which, had it been used would have made a very different and far more pleasing appearance. Contractor Montgomery yesterday finished the installation of the big heating plant for the building and during the afternoon the furnaces were started up and the first heat of the new system transmitted to the last and uttermost corner of the edifice with prime success at all points.

Crushed by Lumber—

A workman at the Tongue Point Mills had the misfortune yesterday afternoon to have a big pile of lumber topple over onto him, smashing his right leg just above the ankle and otherwise bruising him. He was taken instantly to St. Mary's hospital, where Dr. J. A. Fulton set the injured member, and the man, whose name is E. Olsen, was doing fairly well yesterday evening. He is the second person to make use of the new ambulance of Mr. Pohl. Fred Peek, the man who was hurt on the Costa Rica, Thursday, being the first.

Narrow Escape—

While on the way down Twelfth street near Commercial, Thursday morning, Dr. John Holt, federal quarantine officer at this port, had a narrow escape from being electrocuted, a live electric light wire carrying 2300 volts, breaking and falling at his feet. The wire in falling brushed the officer on the shoulder and had the exposed end touched him, there would have been a vacancy in the quarantine service. The break was repaired before any serious damage resulted.

Figures Don't Lie—

Published figures, over the name of a reliable firm have a convincing ring and hold the essence of advantage to whosoever shall use them. Note the string of quotations in the Charles Heilborn & Company ad. in this issue.

Florence Lundquist Dead—

The sad news was conveyed to the many friends of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Lundquist, formerly of this city, of the death of their daughter, Florence, who succumbed to an attack of spinal fever at the family home in Portland on Monday last. The young lady was ill only a few days. Many friends in this city deeply sympathize with the bereaved parents and join in expressing their condolences.

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DONE BY DEEDS

W. C. Smith and wife to Fannie D. Jamison, lot 3, block 22, The Plaza \$225
E. A. Silver and J. B. Goodrich to Dora C. Pugh, lots 12 and 13, sub A, block 15, Chelsea 10
W. Allston and wife to S. K. Hollister, 100 acres, sec. 36-6-6 2000
S. Abrahamson and wife to J. Kamp, land in section 10-4-7 W. 5

Mothers with little children need no longer fear croup, colds or whooping cough. Bees Laxative Cough Syrup tastes good. It works off the cold through the bowels, clears the head. Guaranteed. Sold by Frank Hart's Drug Store.

These Wet Days

knock the shape out of your clothes

A good pressing will give them back their trim shape.

Carl Franseen,

The Astoria Tailor, does good pressing.

179 11th St. Phone Main 3721
A complete line of Fall and Winter samples ready for your inspection. Come and look them over.

LAND OWNERS MUST DO THEIR SHARE

COMMITTEE IN CHARGE OF THE OIL PROJECT WANT LEASES ON UNIMPROVED PROPERTIES—CLEAN-CUT INTERVIEW ON SITUATION.

In an interview with one of the members of the Chamber of Commerce committee in charge of the Oil and Gas proposition now before the people of Clatsop county and Astoria, yesterday, that gentleman made the following statements, that are deemed of public interest and are given because of their timeliness and cogent bearing on the live matter of that enterprise: Said he: "The more the question of drilling for these products is studied the better it looks; and the finding of gas by the Old Oregon Mill people, at Warrenton, makes the existence of that particular commodity practically certain in this vicinity.

"If we can only obtain a sufficient number of acres in the land leases, we can, to a moral certainty, raise the money for the work; but unless we can do this we will not be able to do a thing. So far we have met with very fair success, and yet there are many large property owners holding back on lands that are not worth anything in any other way today, and that will not be worth anything unless they are made valuable through some such agency as this, by way of developing the natural resources that underlie them; and this disposition to dally with an important proposition of this sort, should give way instantly to the urging of our committee.

"It is not desired that all the land in the community shall be leased, but it is very essential that the holders of unimproved and unproductive lands shall lease a portion of them to the company that has been formed in the interest of the general public, for the purpose of bringing to light what of dormant resource may be in them. Every one wishes to see the matter tested, and wishes for their neighbor to help but too many of them are willing to let the test be made at the expense of the neighbor and hoping that they will, themselves, be overlooked.

"Selfish mortals exist in all communities, and the committee realizes that there are some who never do help out in any sort of project or enterprise, and who never will, and that we have no more of them than any other community. These persons may be overlooked in this instance, but there are, even yet, a large number who are expected to do their share, and if they fail, the proposition and all hope of reward fall to the ground.

"In the East, where oil is found, the owners are glad to have the scope of the benefit exploited, and lease their lands without urging. The leases we have gotten up in this behalf, follow the custom and tenor of those current in the oil regions of the country; and if oil or gas is found, the owner of the land, without injuring his property in any way, without taking one cent from its value, without affecting the title to it, is in a position to reap a harvest of dollars far in excess of any other means of increment, and that without the risk of a single dollar he already possesses; and he still has his farm, his stock and his crops. The drilling for oil and gas, and the removal of it from his land, takes but a paltry fraction of space at best and interferes in no way with the ordinary work and processes of the farm.

"Suppose, for instance, an oil well should be discovered on the farm, or ranch, of one Smith, that would produce 50 barrels of oil per day. According to the terms of our lease Smith would receive one-tenth of this after it is sold. This would bring him six dollars and a half per day, and from \$180. to \$200. every month, without his risking one paltry dollar, with his place still uninjured; and he might have half a dozen wells going at the same time if he saw fit.

"Or say that a medium sized gas well is opened up. Say it produces only 3,000,000 feet of gas a day, (and this would be a very small well, mind you) it would bring him in eight dollars and a half a day and take up perhaps five feet square of his farm. The gas would be sold in this city for 30 cents per thousand feet and the question of fuel for the city would be settled for all time.

"In Beaumont, Texas, after oil has been discovered, land values sprang from ten dollars to thousands of dollars per acre; and we hold in view of all this, that it is worth our while to go ahead and make the test. The committee is enthusiastic, but we are not going to attempt to raise the subscription to the capital stock of the Astoria Fuel Company if we cannot get a fair proportion of leases on the idle lands. We are not exerting ourselves just now. If the land owners wish to see this thing worked out, it is up to them to do their share.

One Piano Ticket with Each \$5.00 Sale to Wise Customers



The Yale
Ederheimer, Stein & Co.
MAKERS

Says May to Joe:

"You can't look foolish in a Wise Suit or Overcoat."

\$10 to \$35

We take checks on Astoria banks, or clearing house certificates in payment of GOODS, BUT not in exchange for cash; we are not the U. S. mint.

Herman Wise

The Clothier, Who Makes Astoria Famous,

The Scandinavian-American Savings Bank receives deposits from one dollar upwards. Interest paid on savings accounts and time deposits.

Do you know that Pinesalve Carbolic acid acts like a poultice in drawing out inflammation and poison? It is antiseptic. For cuts, burns, eczema, cracked hands it is immediate relief. Sold by Frank Hart's Drug Store.

Open an account with the Scandinavian-American Savings Bank. A neat pocket check book enables you to pay your bills this way, and furnishes you with a receipt at the same time.

Work on the Panama Canal is progressing satisfactorily. A complete federation of woman's clubs has just been organized down there.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY
Take LAXATIVE BROMO Quinine Tablets. Druggists refund money if it fails to cure. E. W. GROVE'S signature is on each box. 25c.

We have secured the agency for Orin Laxative Fruit Syrup, the new laxative that makes the liver lively, purifies the breath, cures headache and regulates digestive organs. Cures chronic constipation. Ask us about it. T. F. Laurin, Owl Drug Store.

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In any size box.

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